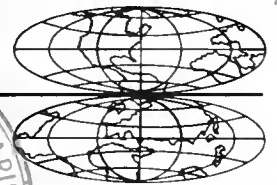




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EXPORT AND IMPORT MERCHANDISE TRADE: NOVEMBER 1970

The Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, announced today a seasonally adjusted November 1970 export total of \$3,462.6 million, excluding Department of Defense (DOD) Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments, and a seasonally adjusted general import total for November of \$3,462.2 million. Comparable seasonally adjusted totals for October were \$3,706.9 million for exports and \$3,528.0 million for imports.^{1 2}

The Bureau noted that the November seasonally adjusted export total is the lowest total reported since April of this year. The seasonally adjusted import total for November is the second highest total on record and is exceeded only by the record high October figure of \$3,528.0 million.

Based on seasonally adjusted figures, the November trade surplus³ is \$0.4 million. The net total surplus for the first 11 months of this year is \$2,591.7 million.

For the first 11 months of 1970, exports on a seasonally adjusted basis were at an annual rate of \$42,788 million (about 15 percent above the calendar year 1969 total of \$37,332 million). Imports were at an annual rate of \$39,961 million (about 11 percent above the calendar

year 1969 total of \$36,043 million). For the 4-month period August-November 1970, seasonally adjusted exports averaged \$3,576.6 million per month, a level about 2 percent below the \$3,651.0 million average reported for the preceding 4-month period April-July 1970. Imports averaged \$3,438.1 million for the current 4-month period, about 5 percent higher than the \$3,289.9 million average reported for the preceding 4-month period.

Seasonally adjusted export and import totals for selected Schedule A and B commodity sections and divisions are shown in tables 4 and 5. (Unlike the overall total, the commodity components for exports exclude foreign merchandise and include DOD Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments.)

Exports, unadjusted for seasonal change and excluding Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments, decreased from \$3,916.7 million in October to \$3,494.1 million in November. With Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments included, November exports were valued at \$3,544.8 million as compared to \$3,975.3 million in October. Unadjusted general imports amounted to \$3,405.8 million in November and \$3,598.9 million in October.

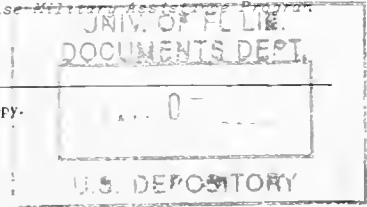
NOTE: The detailed data appearing in table 5 have been revised to correct undercounting in the September 1970 data and overcounting in the October 1970 data due to the inclusion in the originally-compiled October statistics of about \$58 million in imports of automotive products from Canada. The overall totals in tables 1 and 3 of this report were similarly corrected effective with the October issue of this report.

¹Adjusted for seasonal and working-day variation, but not for price level. Factors used to adjust 1970 data represent seasonal adjustment factors derived from monthly data for 1958-1968 and introduced in 1969 combined with the 1970 working-day adjustment factors. Distortions in the 1969 monthly trade patterns occasioned by strikes at Atlantic and Gulf coast ports led to the decision to continue use of the seasonal factors introduced in 1969.

²Cumulations of data over at least 3- or 4-month periods are desirable to identify underlying trends. Month-to-month changes in exports, imports, and similar series often reflect primarily irregular movements. Recent month-to-month percent changes in the overall seasonally adjusted export and import series are presented in the following table with average percent month-to-month rise and decline over longer periods shown for comparison. The average rise and decline figures exclude percentage changes for: (1) the periods December 1964-May 1965 and December 1968-March 1969 because of abnormalities in the data due to effects of strikes; and (2) periods when negligible changes (zero percent) in the level of exports/imports occurred.

Series	Month-to-month				Average monthly rates of change			
	Oct.-Nov. 1970	Sept.-Oct. 1970	Aug.-Sept. 1970	July-Aug. 1970	Average rise 1964-1969	Average decline 1964-1969	4 months July-Nov. 1970	12 months Nov. 1969-Nov. 1970
Exports....	-6.6%	+4.9%	-1.9%	-2.2%	+4.0%	-3.1%	-1.5%	+0.4%
Imports....	-1.9%	+3.8%	+1.0%	+3.8%	+3.5%	-3.2%	+1.7%	+0.7%

³Defined as exports of domestic and foreign merchandise excluding Department of Defense Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments minus general imports.



Import Statistics

General imports are a combination of entries for immediate consumption and entries into bonded warehouses. Imports for consumption are a combination of entries for immediate consumption and withdrawals from warehouses for consumption.

The dollar value shown in the import statistics is defined generally as the market value in the foreign country and therefore excludes U.S. import duties, freight charges from the foreign country to the United States, and insurance. Value information is required to be reported on import entries in accordance with Sections 402 and 402a of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended. None of the values have been adjusted for changes in price level.

It is the objective of the compiling procedures to include shipments, insofar as practicable, in the statistics for the month of import, which is based on the filing date of the import entry or warehouse withdrawal document.¹ However, because of processing problems, there has always been a carryover of a small percentage of items from the actual month of importation to a subsequent month, usually the succeeding month. The carryover should have little effect on month-to-month comparisons of overall totals, since the carryover of the previous month should compensate roughly for that of the following month.

Export Statistics

Exports of domestic merchandise include commodities which are grown, produced, or manufactured in the United States, and commodities of foreign origin which have been changed in the United States from the form in which they were imported, or which have been enhanced in value by further manufacture in the United States. Exports of foreign merchandise include commodities of foreign origin which have entered the United States as imports and which, at the time of exportation, are in substantially the same condition as when imported.

The dollar value shown in the export statistics is defined generally as the f.a.s. value at the U.S. port of exportation. These values have not been adjusted for changes in price level.

In general, compiling procedures provide for the inclusion of shipments in the statistics for the month of

export.² However, as indicated above for imports, because of processing problems there has always been a carryover of a small percentage of shipments from their actual month of shipment to a subsequent month, usually the following month. The statement above regarding the effect of the import carryover generally applies to exports also.

Revisions to the Statistics

Revisions are carried into the statistics on a periodic basis. Data for 1969 and 1970 appearing in the 1970 monthly issues of this report are presented as follows:

1970 Statistics

- a. January through November 1970 issues: figures are as originally issued, except as noted below.
- b. December 1970 issue: figures reflect revisions for prior months of the year issued with December 1970 statistics.

1969 Statistics

- a. January through May 1970 issues: figures reflect revisions issued with December 1969 statistics or earlier.
- b. June through December 1970 issues: figures reflect revisions to 1969 data issued with June 1970 statistics.

In addition to the revisions which are made on a periodic basis, instances may occur where a significant error in the statistics for a month of the current year is discovered after the statistics for that month are compiled. If the error is of sufficient importance to require correction prior to the time that the regular revisions are carried, the correction is made and so noted in this report.

Sources of Further Information

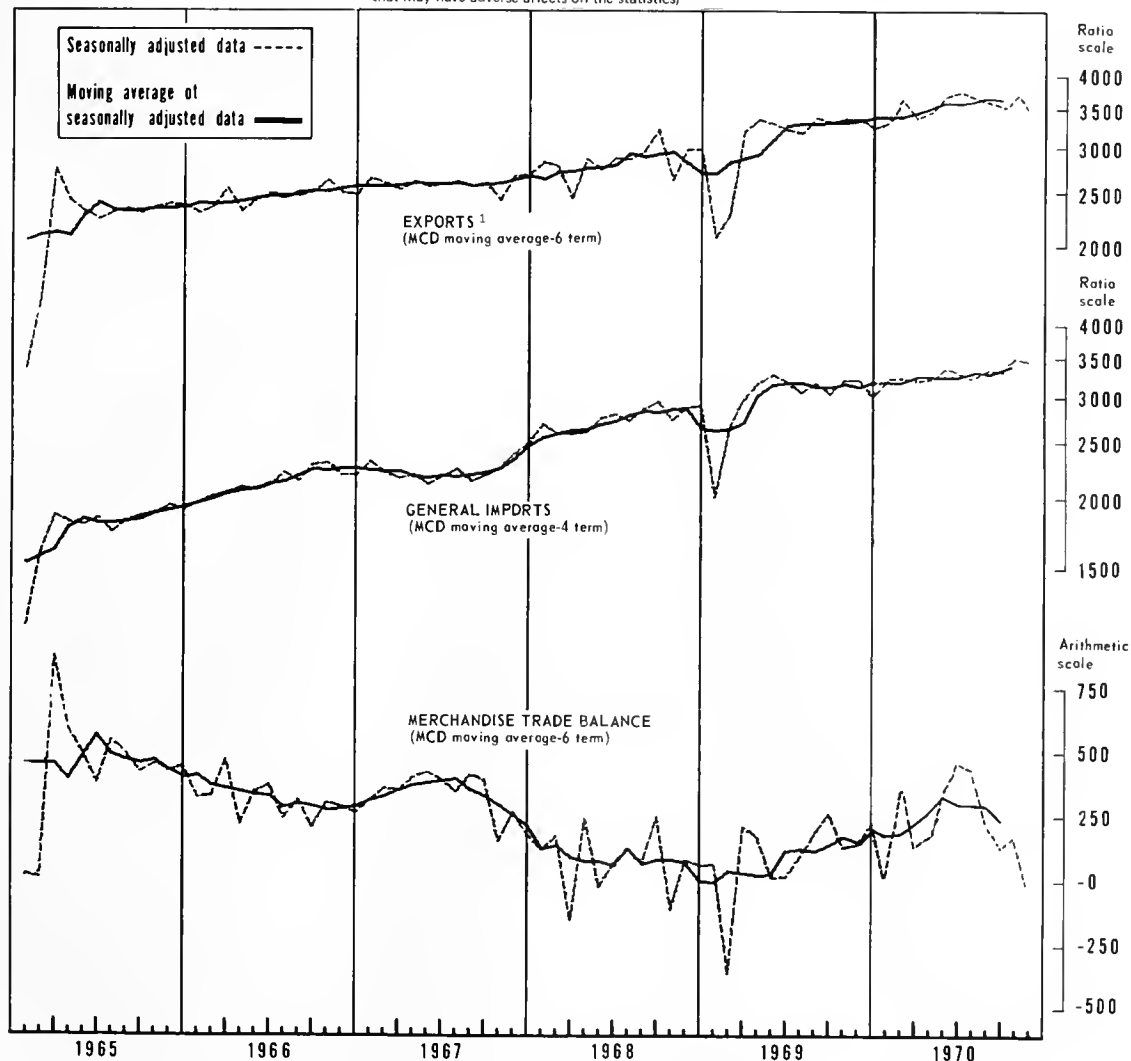
Additional information regarding foreign trade statistics coverage, valuation, etc., is contained in the following publications: Report FT 990, Highlights of U.S. Export and Import Trade; FT 135, U.S. Imports, General and Consumption, Schedule A Commodity and Country; FT 410, U.S. Exports, Schedule B Commodity and Country; and the Guide to Foreign Trade Statistics. Information regarding additional sources of statistics, the methodology used in seasonally adjusting the data, and other matters relating to foreign trade statistics may be obtained from the Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C. 20233.

¹For shipments by vessel, merchandise is not included in the statistics prior to the date of formal entrance of the vessel (i.e., the date of the inward customs manifest for the vessel).

²With minor exceptions, the date of export for shipments other than by mail is the date when the shipment leaves the United States, or, in the case of vessel or air shipments, the date when the carrier departs (or is cleared) from the port of export. For mail shipments, the date of export is considered to be the date of mailing.

**U.S. Exports, General Imports, and Merchandise Trade Balance, Adjusted For Seasonal and Working-Day Variation:
January 1965 to November 1970**

(In millions of dollars. Data are not adjusted for unusual changes in the level of activity or coverage such as happens during strikes and other events that may have adverse affects on the statistics)



¹ Represents exports of domestic and foreign merchandise excluding Department of Defense Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments.

² Defined as exports (see footnote 1, above) minus general imports.

Table 1. U.S. Exports, General Imports, and Merchandise Trade Balance, Adjusted for Seasonal and Working-Day Variation, by Month: January 1969 to November 1970

(In millions of dollars. Includes data on silver ore, base bullion, and refined bullion)

Period and series	January- November	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	Septem- ber	October	November	December
1969¹													
Exports ²	34,053.4	2,094.2	2,312.9	3,197.3	3,352.9	3,296.3	3,211.1	3,168.2	3,370.0	3,323.4	3,362.0	3,365.1	3,238.4
Imports.....	33,007.6	2,014.1	2,652.7	2,976.2	3,173.5	3,276.2	3,185.4	3,064.4	3,179.1	3,053.8	3,220.7	3,211.5	3,005.5
Merchandise trade balance ³	+1,045.8	+80.1	-339.8	+221.1	+179.4	+20.1	+25.7	+103.8	+190.9	+269.6	+141.3	+153.6	+232.9
1970¹													
Exports ²	39,222.6	3,305.2	3,628.4	3,379.0	3,449.7	3,695.1	3,776.0	3,683.0	3,601.8	3,534.9	3,706.9	3,462.6	
Imports.....	36,630.9	3,249.7	3,255.9	3,213.6	3,247.5	3,360.7	3,309.6	3,241.7	3,364.5	⁴ 3,397.5	3,528.0	3,462.2	
Merchandise trade balance ³	+2,591.7	+55.5	+372.5	+165.4	+202.2	+334.4	+466.4	+411.3	+237.3	⁴ +137.4	+178.9	+0.4	

¹Data for 1969 and 1970 reflect seasonal adjustment factors introduced in 1969. See footnote 1 on front page.

²Represents exports of domestic and foreign merchandise excluding Department of Defense Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments.

³Defined as exports (see footnote 2, above) minus general imports.

⁴Revised. See note on front page.

Table 2. U.S. Exports of Merchandise Showing Department of Defense (DOD) Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid Shipments, by Month: January 1969 to November 1970

In millions of dollars. Includes data on silver ore, base bullion, and refined bullion. Unadjusted totals represent sum of unrounded figures hence may vary slightly from sum of rounded amounts)

Period	Exports excluding DOD Grant-Aid			Exports including DOD Grant-Aid		DOD Grant-Aid ²		
	Domestic and foreign, seasonally adjusted ¹	Domestic and foreign, unadjusted	Domestic, unadjusted	Domestic and foreign, unadjusted	Domestic, unadjusted	Total	Western Europe	Other countries
1969								
January-December.....	37,291.8	37,331.7	36,787.7	38,005.6	37,461.6	673.9	258.1	415.8
January-November.....	34,053.4	33,969.3	33,476.3	34,584.6	34,091.6	615.3	227.2	388.0
January.....	2,094.2	2,057.6	2,017.8	2,112.3	2,072.4	54.6	24.5	30.1
February.....	2,312.9	2,159.8	2,127.5	2,194.1	2,161.9	34.4	12.1	22.2
March.....	3,197.3	3,368.0	3,322.8	3,419.3	3,374.1	51.3	21.2	30.1
April.....	3,352.9	3,505.1	3,455.8	3,564.1	3,514.8	59.0	24.7	34.3
May.....	3,296.3	3,548.1	3,503.5	3,599.6	3,555.0	51.5	25.0	26.6
June.....	3,211.1	3,098.1	3,050.7	3,168.2	3,120.8	70.1	29.4	40.8
July.....	3,168.2	2,994.9	2,952.6	3,042.6	3,000.2	47.7	22.2	25.4
August.....	3,370.0	3,151.3	3,098.4	3,213.2	3,160.2	61.8	23.2	38.7
September.....	3,323.4	3,110.4	3,067.2	3,183.7	3,140.5	73.3	6.7	66.6
October.....	3,362.0	3,562.7	3,518.7	3,618.2	3,574.3	55.5	13.6	42.0
November.....	3,365.1	3,413.2	3,361.4	3,469.2	3,417.4	56.0	24.7	31.3
December.....	3,238.4	3,362.4	3,311.4	3,421.0	3,370.0	58.6	30.8	27.8
1970								
January-November.....	39,222.6	38,995.4	38,413.0	39,508.4	38,926.1	513.1	165.4	347.7
January.....	3,305.2	3,238.0	3,195.5	3,298.4	3,255.9	60.4	26.7	33.7
February.....	3,628.4	3,388.2	3,335.7	3,432.1	3,379.6	43.9	8.9	35.0
March.....	3,379.0	3,581.1	3,542.2	3,623.4	3,584.5	42.3	8.5	33.7
April.....	3,449.7	3,599.1	3,544.0	3,648.5	3,593.5	49.4	21.1	28.3
May.....	3,695.1	3,908.7	3,847.5	3,942.3	3,881.1	33.7	13.0	20.6
June.....	3,776.0	3,719.0	3,671.5	3,770.7	3,723.3	51.7	24.6	27.1
July.....	3,683.0	3,549.3	3,487.6	3,591.9	3,530.3	42.7	16.0	26.6
August.....	3,601.8	3,266.1	3,217.6	3,307.0	3,258.5	40.9	16.5	24.4
September.....	3,534.9	3,335.2	3,282.6	3,374.0	3,321.4	38.9	11.1	27.8
October.....	3,706.9	3,916.7	3,843.9	3,975.3	3,902.4	58.6	9.9	48.7
November.....	3,462.6	3,494.1	3,445.0	3,544.8	3,495.7	50.7	8.9	41.7
December.....								

¹Data reflect adjustments for seasonal and working-day variation and do not necessarily add to annual unadjusted totals. The adjusted totals for 1969 and 1970 reflect seasonal adjustment factors introduced in 1969. See footnote 1 on front page.

²Data differ from those released in Department of Defense reports because of a difference in statistical definitions. For a further explanation, see footnote 2, table E-1, Report PT 990, Highlights of U.S. Export and Import Trade.

Table 3. U.S. Imports of Merchandise, by Month: January 1969 to November 1970

In millions of dollars. Includes data on silver ore, base bullion, and refined bullion. Unadjusted totals represent sum of unrounded figures hence may vary slightly from sum of rounded amounts)

Period	1969			1970		
	General imports		Imports for consumption, unadjusted	General imports		Imports for consumption, unadjusted
	Seasonally adjusted ¹	Unadjusted		Seasonally adjusted ¹	Unadjusted	
January-December.....	36,013.1	36,042.8	35,862.7			
January-November.....	33,007.6	32,797.2	32,649.7	36,630.9	36,111.3	36,256.0
January.....	2,014.1	2,022.0	2,090.7	3,249.7	3,125.5	3,113.8
February.....	2,652.7	2,399.1	2,403.6	3,255.9	2,944.3	2,929.3
March.....	2,976.2	2,988.4	2,958.0	3,213.6	3,385.9	3,370.4
April.....	3,173.5	3,330.3	3,275.8	3,247.5	3,391.4	3,374.9
May.....	3,276.2	3,236.6	3,198.1	3,360.7	3,174.9	3,129.5
June.....	3,185.4	3,214.1	3,179.8	3,309.6	3,504.2	3,546.0
July.....	3,064.4	3,151.7	3,127.2	3,241.7	3,312.0	3,313.9
August.....	3,179.1	2,908.6	2,886.0	3,364.5	3,116.5	3,101.7
September.....	3,053.8	3,130.4	3,106.2	² 3,397.5	² 3,451.9	² 3,429.7
October.....	3,220.7	3,429.1	3,434.4	3,528.0	3,598.9	3,588.0
November.....	3,211.5	2,987.0	2,989.9	3,162.2	3,105.8	3,358.8
December.....	3,005.5	3,245.6	3,212.9			

¹Data reflect adjustments for seasonal and working-day variation and do not necessarily add to annual unadjusted totals. The adjusted totals for 1969 and 1970 reflect seasonal adjustment factors introduced in 1969. See footnote 1 on front page.

²Revised. See note on front page.

Table 4. U.S. Exports of Domestic Merchandise Including Department of Defense (DOD) Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid Shipments--Schedule B Sections and Selected Divisions, Seasonally Adjusted and Unadjusted, by Month: January 1969 to November 1970

(In millions of dollars. Includes data on silver ore, base bullion, and refined bullion. Unadjusted totals represent sum of unrounded figures hence may vary slightly from sum of rounded amounts)

Period	Schedule 8 sections and selected divisions ¹												
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 ²	71	72	73	8	9
Seasonally adjusted ³													
1969													
January-December.....	3,731.7	699.8	3,580.4	1,128.3	⁴ 307.6	3,368.4	4,546.3	16,417.5	7,186.5	2,679.7	6,559.0	2,444.3	⁴ 1,224.0
January-November.....	3,394.1	630.2	3,279.6	1,014.1	⁴ 271.3	3,063.6	4,110.6	15,071.9	6,560.1	2,472.3	6,053.1	2,246.5	⁴ 1,113.8
January.....	130.8	17.3	135.5	85.2	⁴ 14.0	181.5	226.9	1,155.4	407.8	163.0	567.9	157.7	⁴ 75.4
February.....	176.8	16.4	180.0	75.9	⁴ 15.3	197.6	262.9	1,127.4	444.5	182.0	499.2	168.9	⁴ 55.9
March.....	309.4	69.9	295.5	85.8	⁴ 22.3	281.3	380.1	1,414.7	634.1	245.5	548.7	229.8	⁴ 110.0
April.....	337.1	53.7	387.5	93.8	⁴ 31.6	315.3	374.6	1,442.6	626.8	223.8	579.2	207.4	⁴ 75.7
May.....	349.6	85.5	324.4	104.3	⁴ 25.3	306.4	394.3	1,416.8	596.1	241.4	594.0	205.6	⁴ 87.5
June.....	380.6	84.1	282.2	103.2	⁴ 29.0	295.6	379.7	1,328.4	611.1	218.8	502.6	203.4	⁴ 115.4
July.....	350.8	63.2	325.2	89.9	⁴ 27.0	292.7	394.9	1,329.6	602.9	223.8	510.1	205.8	⁴ 80.2
August.....	325.4	55.9	338.0	92.0	⁴ 20.5	301.8	427.8	1,481.9	670.9	256.2	560.2	232.2	⁴ 109.5
September.....	332.4	54.4	339.4	85.7	⁴ 24.6	289.8	415.1	1,435.1	639.9	239.4	573.1	212.5	⁴ 130.9
October ⁵	349.7	64.0	357.1	91.3	⁴ 27.0	296.9	429.8	1,532.0	667.1	246.1	597.7	217.2	⁴ 119.7
November.....	351.5	65.8	314.8	107.0	⁴ 34.7	304.7	424.5	1,408.0	658.9	232.0	520.4	206.0	⁴ 153.1
December.....	337.6	69.6	300.8	114.2	⁴ 36.2	304.8	435.7	1,345.6	626.4	207.4	505.9	197.8	⁴ 110.2
1970													
January-November.....	3,954.2	643.7	4,241.2	1,415.4	⁴ 436.9	3,535.5	4,689.0	16,540.0	7,701.6	2,755.7	6,099.9	2,375.2	⁴ 1,348.7
January.....	328.4	41.1	339.3	102.2	⁴ 31.0	348.1	450.8	1,437.3	634.1	218.6	563.5	218.9	⁴ 123.9
February.....	368.6	51.9	366.4	122.3	⁴ 26.6	348.8	467.7	1,483.6	692.0	259.0	536.9	218.6	⁴ 113.2
March.....	299.1	75.4	361.7	135.1	⁴ 50.4	318.4	413.1	1,403.2	655.7	241.3	519.5	217.7	⁴ 117.0
April.....	308.3	56.4	400.8	128.9	⁴ 31.1	309.3	419.7	1,436.5	628.2	232.4	565.6	197.3	⁴ 115.4
May.....	318.6	66.2	372.9	129.5	⁴ 41.6	329.7	451.4	1,629.1	657.1	248.4	743.8	200.0	⁴ 118.6
June.....	353.7	69.9	431.0	134.7	⁴ 55.2	345.0	451.8	1,518.6	725.9	270.0	527.9	225.7	⁴ 156.0
July.....	382.9	61.8	381.5	136.1	⁴ 43.8	313.6	431.5	1,539.3	731.8	252.0	559.6	218.7	⁴ 136.4
August.....	387.5	43.8	428.8	116.3	⁴ 40.4	305.4	425.3	1,505.4	752.7	263.1	488.8	221.4	⁴ 119.3
September.....	377.5	47.4	422.9	127.3	⁴ 41.0	290.9	396.0	1,455.4	732.0	245.0	497.2	212.7	⁴ 115.8
October.....	432.6	60.8	382.8	149.8	⁴ 40.3	326.0	392.2	1,688.0	782.6	266.4	615.7	222.9	⁴ 117.6
November.....	397.0	69.0	353.1	133.2	⁴ 32.5	300.3	389.5	1,443.6	709.5	259.5	481.4	221.3	⁴ 115.6
December.....													
Unadjusted													
1969													
January-December.....	3,732.7	713.5	3,568.6	1,130.2	307.6	3,382.6	4,554.0	16,402.8	7,186.9	2,677.0	6,538.8	2,445.7	1,224.0
January-November.....	3,398.2	620.7	3,230.9	1,028.1	271.3	3,080.3	4,122.8	14,978.4	6,554.3	2,464.0	5,960.1	2,247.1	1,113.8
January.....	129.5	13.5	138.8	73.8	14.0	166.6	214.9	1,096.6	387.5	165.3	543.8	149.3	75.4
February.....	168.2	12.6	176.9	61.2	15.3	181.4	243.8	1,087.0	420.8	168.8	497.4	159.6	55.9
March.....	323.2	52.2	298.7	76.1	22.3	300.5	409.4	1,540.7	695.0	249.1	596.5	241.2	110.0
April.....	350.4	45.5	384.4	94.4	31.6	331.8	405.3	1,572.3	692.4	238.4	641.6	223.4	75.7
May.....	362.8	74.1	343.1	110.6	25.3	334.9	430.2	1,563.3	680.7	261.1	621.4	223.2	87.5
June.....	354.8	69.7	262.8	107.1	29.0	286.1	375.1	1,325.1	599.6	215.5	510.0	195.7	115.4
July.....	333.0	53.2	300.7	91.3	27.0	298.5	374.5	1,244.5	592.1	213.6	438.8	197.3	80.2
August.....	312.9	57.5	292.2	104.8	20.5	310.3	410.6	1,319.2	608.8	237.5	472.9	222.6	109.5
September.....	317.9	73.6	274.0	98.4	24.6	282.6	395.8	1,333.2	578.8	229.4	525.1	209.3	130.9
October ⁵	372.0	80.1	392.6	103.6	27.0	297.6	451.9	1,505.2	668.6	257.5	579.1	224.5	119.7
November.....	373.5	88.7	366.8	106.7	34.7	289.9	411.3	1,391.4	630.1	227.9	533.4	201.0	153.4
December.....	334.5	92.8	337.7	102.0	36.2	302.3	431.2	1,424.4	632.6	213.0	578.7	198.6	110.2
1970													
January-November.....	3,944.6	621.6	4,160.7	1,432.8	436.9	3,527.5	4,678.9	16,408.6	7,655.1	2,739.6	6,013.9	2,365.8	1,348.7
January.....	324.1	31.9	346.4	88.3	31.0	318.5	425.6	1,359.7	600.5	221.0	538.1	206.6	123.9
February.....	350.5	39.9	360.2	98.6	26.6	320.2	433.6	1,430.2	655.3	240.1	534.8	206.6	113.2
March.....	314.1	56.7	367.8	120.5	50.4	342.3	447.8	1,537.9	733.2	246.4	568.3	229.9	117.0
April.....	319.7	47.7	396.8	129.5	31.1	324.8	452.0	1,564.3	692.3	247.0	625.0	212.1	115.4
May.....	325.0	56.3	387.4	134.9	41.6	354.1	483.9	1,765.9	737.3	264.0	764.6	213.4	118.6
June.....	336.7	59.1	409.9	142.6	55.2	340.9	455.4	1,545.9	727.4	271.6	546.9	221.6	156.0
July.....	370.6	53.0	359.8	141.0	43.8	326.1	417.3	1,468.5	732.5	245.2	490.8	213.7	136.4
August.....	361.5	43.7	359.3	128.5	40.4	304.5	396.0	1,299.2	662.4	236.5	400.3	205.9	119.3
September.....	363.9	64.7	344.2	147.3	44.0	286.0	380.6	1,363.7	667.6	236.7	459.3	211.2	115.8
October.....	459.0	75.8	419.5	169.6	40.3	325.7	411.0	1,654.2	781.8	277.6	594.8	229.8	117.6
November.....	419.6	92.5	409.3	132.1	32.5	284.4	375.5	1,419.1	674.7	253.5	491.0	214.9	115.6
December.....													

¹Schedule 8 section and selected division descriptions are as follows:

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| 0. Food and live animals | 7. Machinery and transport equipment |
| 1. Beverages and tobacco | 71. Machinery, other than electric |
| 2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels | 72. Electrical machinery, apparatus, and appliances |
| 3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials | 73. Transport equipment |
| 4. Animal and vegetable oils and fats | 8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.c. |
| 5. Chemicals | 9. Commodities and transactions not classified according to kind |
| 6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material | |

²Seasonally adjusted figures for section 7 may differ slightly from the sum of divisions 71, 72, and 73 since each is independently adjusted.

³Data reflect adjustments for seasonal and working-day variation and do not necessarily add to annual unadjusted totals. The adjusted data for 1969 and 1970 reflect seasonal adjustment factors introduced in 1969. See footnote 1 on front page. The adjusted section totals in this table and similar overall monthly totals in tables 1 and 2 were developed independently.

⁴In the absence of demonstrable seasonal patterns for this section, no seasonal adjustment factors have been applied to date.

⁵As a result of the change, effective October 1969, in the category "Low-value shipments" (reflected in Schedule B section 9) which included estimated data for shipments valued under \$100 prior to October and now includes shipments valued \$250 and under, the statistics for the individual commodity sections and selected divisions reflect some additional undercounting.

**Table 5. U.S. General Imports- Schedule A Sections, Seasonally Adjusted and Unadjusted by Month:
January 1969 to November 1970**

(In millions of dollars. Includes data on silver ore, base bullion, and refined bullion. Unadjusted totals represent sum of unrounded figures hence may vary slightly from sum of rounded amounts)

Period	Schedule A sections ¹									
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Seasonally adjusted ²									
1969										
January-December.....	4,519.1	799.5	3,457.6	2,798.9	³ 136.7	1,231.2	7,877.8	9,807.6	4,110.4	³ 1,332.4
January-November.....	4,105.1	744.9	3,165.6	2,518.0	³ 120.5	1,138.3	7,269.8	9,012.3	3,779.3	³ 1,201.6
January.....	176.1	23.1	205.5	210.1	³ 6.1	70.1	401.2	582.9	217.5	³ 88.5
February.....	313.6	30.8	274.7	235.4	³ 12.5	84.0	609.4	695.5	341.8	³ 86.8
March.....	430.8	60.0	316.3	210.2	³ 11.7	103.1	667.2	695.7	341.8	³ 88.2
April.....	416.5	58.0	336.1	236.0	³ 11.2	109.1	734.5	845.9	372.7	³ 109.5
May.....	409.0	97.0	298.4	245.6	³ 13.6	104.1	742.1	877.0	375.6	³ 112.5
June.....	409.4	106.2	273.0	218.3	³ 8.6	121.0	713.3	866.9	374.6	³ 117.9
July.....	406.2	85.3	281.8	215.8	³ 11.0	105.0	683.2	775.1	350.5	³ 120.0
August.....	407.0	78.3	287.9	259.7	³ 10.2	104.0	704.2	915.2	375.2	³ 108.3
September.....	352.6	68.0	282.3	232.1	³ 10.2	101.2	684.0	908.2	346.3	³ 121.5
October.....	383.9	73.2	305.4	243.4	³ 13.9	124.4	672.5	915.8	361.0	³ 127.8
November.....	400.3	65.0	304.2	241.4	³ 11.7	112.3	658.2	934.1	358.7	³ 113.6
December.....	413.7	54.6	292.0	250.9	³ 16.2	92.9	608.0	795.3	331.1	³ 127.8
1970										
January-November.....	4,938.3	793.0	3,064.6	2,814.3	³ 138.2	1,339.5	7,705.4	10,296.7	4,451.2	³ 1,166.0
January.....	467.1	66.6	288.1	241.8	³ 9.6	118.0	690.0	860.8	389.2	³ 89.2
February.....	449.7	68.7	289.6	285.9	³ 8.6	115.4	650.5	890.7	396.1	³ 89.9
March.....	442.5	58.1	268.3	264.1	³ 10.2	113.8	677.9	831.5	391.8	³ 105.4
April.....	466.9	61.2	260.5	243.2	³ 10.1	117.2	651.0	989.5	399.7	³ 107.5
May.....	441.4	73.9	288.4	262.5	³ 14.2	120.7	705.5	931.9	425.6	³ 95.6
June.....	465.3	82.6	264.8	241.5	³ 21.1	122.3	683.8	937.4	408.2	³ 111.7
July.....	430.7	93.3	270.8	209.1	³ 13.1	121.6	685.7	885.9	386.9	³ 113.9
August.....	480.8	71.1	284.2	288.0	³ 11.9	129.7	705.3	926.9	424.9	³ 105.7
September.....	432.2	61.9	297.3	245.6	³ 9.2	114.8	718.1	⁴ 1,047.4	⁴ 406.8	³ 118.1
October.....	428.1	72.2	274.1	261.8	³ 16.0	140.9	772.5	⁴ 1,007.7	⁴ 427.3	³ 120.8
November.....	433.6	80.1	278.5	270.8	³ 11.3	125.1	765.1	987.0	394.7	³ 108.3
December.....										
	Unadjusted									
1969										
January-December.....	4,530.6	777.8	3,460.1	2,794.0	136.7	1,228.3	7,892.9	9,762.7	4,127.2	1,332.4
January-November.....	4,075.9	710.6	3,146.3	2,501.9	120.5	1,128.6	7,256.4	8,871.7	3,780.6	1,204.6
January.....	169.8	24.6	202.0	249.1	6.1	69.6	398.2	609.7	204.4	88.5
February.....	287.1	28.6	232.3	230.0	12.5	80.6	533.2	655.9	252.0	86.8
March.....	438.9	63.8	307.4	225.0	11.7	111.4	653.1	762.9	316.0	98.2
April.....	438.4	68.1	337.7	238.8	11.2	124.6	784.2	869.8	348.1	109.5
May.....	396.6	89.1	304.4	219.4	13.6	108.6	761.5	895.5	335.6	112.5
June.....	398.8	86.8	293.5	212.6	8.6	114.2	726.0	889.9	365.9	117.9
July.....	414.4	62.8	294.0	221.3	11.0	99.1	728.7	790.7	409.7	120.0
August.....	363.7	54.1	290.8	227.6	10.2	98.9	645.6	716.8	392.6	108.3
September.....	368.6	67.1	288.8	229.2	10.2	99.5	707.5	844.7	393.2	121.5
October.....	430.1	93.0	320.7	247.4	13.9	120.4	698.4	963.5	413.9	127.8
November.....	369.4	72.7	274.8	201.4	11.7	101.8	620.1	872.3	349.2	113.6
December.....	454.7	67.2	313.8	292.1	16.2	99.7	636.5	891.0	346.6	127.8
1970										
January-November.....	4,891.1	768.1	3,041.5	2,769.6	138.2	1,328.3	7,682.7	10,179.8	4,442.9	1,166.0
January.....	431.6	68.0	271.4	274.7	9.6	112.2	656.2	862.5	350.3	89.2
February.....	411.5	63.7	244.7	279.3	8.6	110.8	569.2	839.9	326.8	89.9
March.....	473.0	64.8	273.7	296.6	10.2	129.0	696.2	957.1	380.0	105.4
April.....	488.8	71.5	260.5	244.9	10.1	133.2	691.4	1,012.3	371.3	107.5
May.....	409.2	64.9	281.2	224.2	14.2	120.5	692.1	909.5	363.5	95.6
June.....	475.5	70.9	298.7	246.8	21.1	121.1	730.3	1,009.6	418.4	111.7
July.....	436.3	68.2	280.5	213.1	13.1	114.1	726.2	897.1	419.2	113.9
August.....	435.1	19.8	290.7	255.5	14.9	121.9	654.5	735.0	450.4	105.7
September.....	417.8	63.5	301.5	240.4	9.2	111.9	736.1	⁴ 965.7	⁴ 457.7	118.1
October.....	459.3	87.9	275.7	255.0	16.0	130.8	768.6	⁴ 1,015.8	⁴ 469.2	120.8
November.....	423.2	95.0	266.0	239.1	11.3	119.8	762.0	975.2	406.1	108.3
December.....										

¹Schedule A section descriptions are as follows:

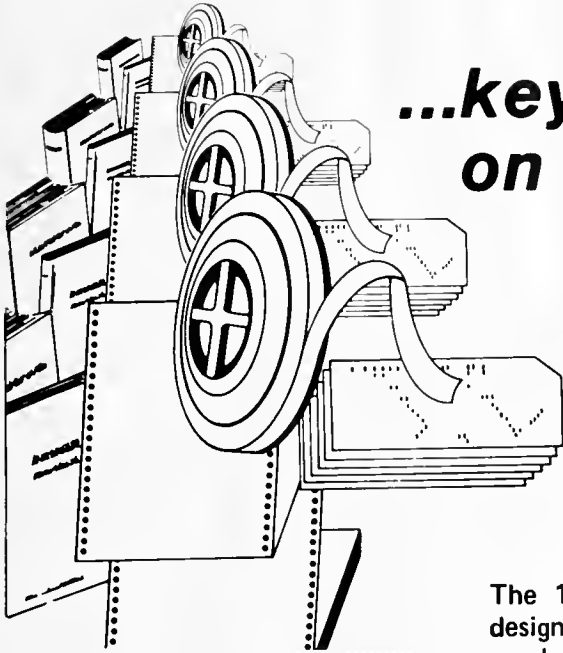
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|---|--|
| 0. Food and live animals | 5. Chemicals |
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| 2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels | 7. Machinery and transport equipment |
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³In the absence of demonstrable seasonal patterns for this section, no seasonal adjustment factors have been applied to date.

⁴Revised. The Schedule A section totals for September which were undercounted and similar totals for October which were overcounted by about .58 million representing imports of certain automotive products from Canada, have been revised effective with the November issue of this report. See note on front page.

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